GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
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SETTING UP OF POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any proposal for setting up of any pollution control plant in the FACT, − Udyogamandal;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) the amount spent for controlling the pollution in FACT during the last three years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

(SHRI RAMESH BAIS)

(a) & (b): The Fertilisers and Chemicals Travancore Limited (FACT) is havingseparate pollution control facilities at its Udyogamandal Division, Cochin Division(separate for Phase-I & II) and Petrochemicals Division.However, the company is in the process of setting up the following further pollution control facilities for achieving better standards of nitrate nitrogen and ammonia concentration :-

i) De-Nitrification Plant at its Petrochemicals Division with an estimated cost of Rs. 98 lakh to be commissioned in middle of 2000.

ii) Cooling Tower type Ammonia Stripper for its Urea Plant at Cochin Divisionwith an estimated cost of Rs.67.84 lakh to be commissioned in April, 2001.

In addition, construction of an acid proof brick lined tank with a recycle pump for its Phosphoric Acid Plant is also being undertaken to reduce P2O5 content in the effluent with an estimated cost of Rs.11.00 lakh to be completed by September 2000.

(c) During the years 1997-98, 1998-99 and 1999-2000, FACT had spentRs.14.28 crore, Rs.14.98 crore and Rs.17.23 crore, respectively on controlling pollution at its various plants.